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Overview

This bill provides that if a Safe at Home participant is involved in a legal proceeding as a party or witness, the court may issue a protective order to prevent disclosure of the program participant's location. ("The purpose of [the Safe at Home program] is to enable state and local agencies to respond to requests for data without disclosing the location of a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; to enable interagency cooperation with the secretary of state in providing address confidentiality for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; and to enable program participants to use an address designated by the secretary of state as a substitute mailing address for all purposes." Minn. Stat. § 5B.01.)